



Cowlitz Indian Tribe

Child Care and Development Program

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Director
Office of Child Care
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Dear OCC Director:

This letter describes how the Cowlitz Indian Tribe Child Care and Development Program plans to use the Child Care and Development Funds (CCDF) awarded under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA). We understand that this description will be used for the purpose of informing the Office of Child Care, Administration for Children and Families and Congress how our Lead Agency anticipates using the funds to support the child care needs in our jurisdiction.

We plan to use CRRSA funds for activities in the following categories:

- **Direct Services/Subsidies** We will continue to pay based off of enrollment versus attendance.
- Co-payment relief for all families as approved in waivers.



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1. Implementation of Virus Mitigation Policies and Practices

- We will be providing PPE and sanitation equipment to all child care providers. We are looking into designing, preparing and providing "Illness kits" to ensure each provider has a small stock on items on hand should any kind of illness or outbreak occur.

2. Grants or Assistance (Other than Subsidies) to Stabilize Child Care Providers

- We will be giving mini-grants to providers.

3. Assistance to Providers Not Participating in the Subsidy System Prior to the Pandemic

- We will be providing PPE and sanitation equipment to non-contracting centers.

4. Other

- Assisting with centers reaching new licensing requirements and/or early achievers goals.

The Cowlitz Indian Tribe Child Care and Development Program will amend our CCDF plan as a result of activities implemented under CRRSA funding not currently described in the plan, within 60 days of implementation.

Sincerely,

/s/

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